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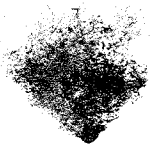
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Walsh-McLean House (Indonesian Embassy) (DC-266)
STRUCTURE



2020 Massachusetts Ave., N.W. Brick with
stone trim, approx. 95' square, undulating
walls with rounded bays and corners, three-
and-a-half stories with basement, tiled
mansard roof with balustrade at eaves,
large chimneys capped with segmental pedi-
ments, porte cochère to W., conservatory to

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

(DC-266)

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E., lavish eclectic Beaux-Arts style; entertaining rooms on first floor, ballroom on top floor, central interior feature is three-story galleried stairwell with stained-glass skylight. Built 1901-3; Henry Anderson, architect. Builder was Thomas Walsh, Irish immigrant who struck it rich in Colorado gold fields; next owned by his daughter Evalyn Walsh McLean, socialite and last private owner of Hope Diamond; house renovated 1952 when it became the Indonesian Embassy. 2 ext. photos (1970), 8 int. photos (1970), photocopy of plan (1972); 24 data pages (1970-73).

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